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Law school is like Korea, it's like Vietnam. You can't explain it to someone who hasn't been.

- GIL SNIDERMAN,
  A REAL-LIFE VETERAN OF ALL THREE

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# DEAN'S MESSAGE

This year has been a vibrant and exciting one in the Faculty of Law. The photographs in this yearbook show the many important activities which have taken place, and I welcome this chance to add a few words. First, congratulations to the members of our graduating class. You have worked hard and learned a new discipline. Yet, as your first few months of articles will prove, you still have much to learn. I hope that the basic knowledge you have won here will serve you well. I wish you great success in the adventures that await.

This year we welcomed several new members of faculty, including Professors Anne Hardy, Alex Pringle and Dale Gibson. Mr. Todd Ducharme was appointed as the first Executive Director of the Centre for Constitutional Studies. These new faculty members brought interesting new perspectives and will make significant contributions to the life of the law school.

After receiving support from the Alberta Law Foundation, the Centre for Constitutional Studies began its first year of life. Three very important events took place. Professor Dale Gibson became the first holder of the Belzberg Chair in Constitutional Studies, a position made possible by the generosity of the Belzberg family. Professor Gibson taught several constitutional law classes and presented the first Belzberg Lecture entitled, "The Real Laws of the Constitution".

The Centre sponsored the first MacDonald Lecture which was presented by Dr. Ronald Dworkin of Oxford University. He spoke about "Equality, Democracy and Constitution: We the People in Court". Dr. Dworkin's lecture, together with that of Professor Gibson, and articles by other constitutional scholars will soon appear in a special issue of the Alberta Law Review devoted to constitutional studies. In the Spring the Centre held a significant national conference on "Language and the State". The proceedings of that conference, which featured addresses by several leading Canadian scholars, will be published in a separate monograph in the next year. In the Fall, Dr. Robert Mnookin from Stanford Law School, gave the Weir Memorial Lecture entitled "Until Death or Divorce do us Part: An Analysis of the Distribution of Property When Marriage Ends". This lecture was well received by the Edmonton legal community and it is hoped that the proceedings will be published in the Alberta Law Review.

This year the Martland Lecture was delivered by a feminist scholar, Professor Catharine MacKinnon. Her address on 'The Charter of Rights and the Possibilities of Women's Equality" was attended by very large audiences in the law centre and in Calgary. Her provocative message stimulated a good deal of debate in the local legal community. The faculty was host to a number of other scholars including Professor Ken Motoyama from Toho University in Japan. The Centre for Constitutional Studies sponsored the visit of several guests including Professor Peter Hogg from Osgoode Hall Law School, Professor Michael Browde from the University of New Mexico School of Law, Professor Issa Shivji of Tanzania, Professor Campbell Sharman from the University of Western Australia and Professor Katherine Swinton from the University of Toronto. These visitors contributed to an exciting, intellectual atmosphere in the Faculty.

In the Spring, the Faculty and IBM Canada hosted a national conference on Computers and the Law and attracted a good deal of interest in this important topic. Several of the sessions were held in the new Microcomputer Lab which opened in the Fall of the year, thanks to the generous sponsorship of the Alberta Law Foundation.

The Faculty had a successful year in competitive mooting. Silvia Yee won the Judges' Discretionary Prize for Individual Excellence in the Gale Cup. Our Faculty placed third out of nineteen schools in that competition. The University of Alberta teams won each of the three moots and was the overall winner of the Alberta Challenge Cup. Kevin Feth tied for first place as the best oralist in the Jessup Moot and the team placed sixth overall out of twenty-two teams entered in the competition. Alison Stewart was selected as providing the best final argument in the Western Canada Trial Moot in which the team placed second. The hard work and dedication of these students and their faculty advisors brought honour to the Faculty.

In closing, I would like to thank the many students who played so active a role in the Faculty. I think particularly of the executives of the Law Students' Association, the Women's Law Forum, Student Legal Services and the Articling Committee. These students gave generously of their time and helped to make our community more vibrant. With all best wishes for the future.

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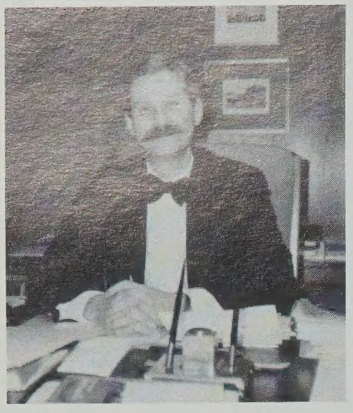

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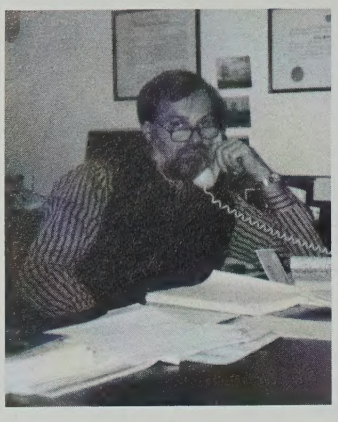

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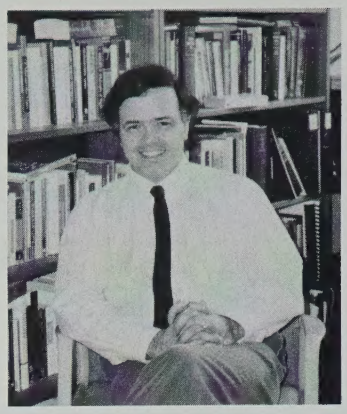

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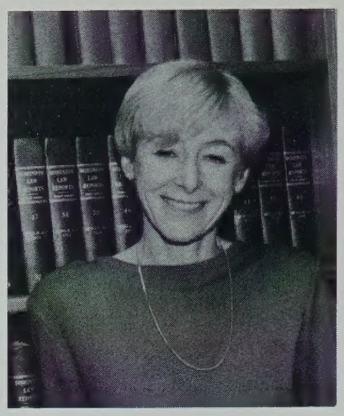

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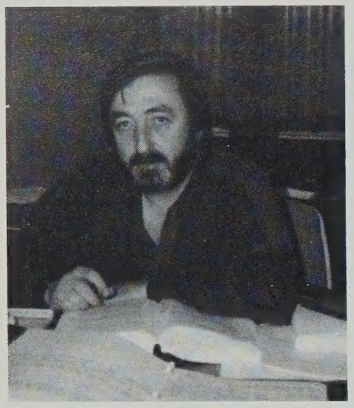

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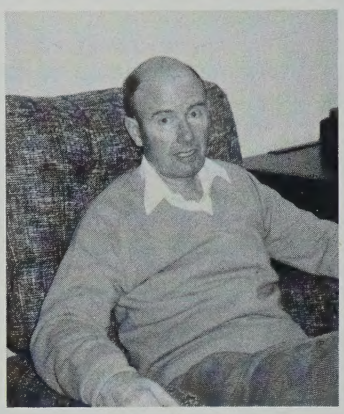

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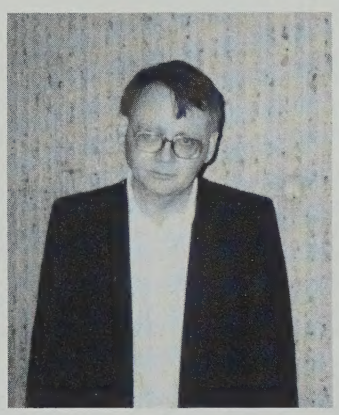

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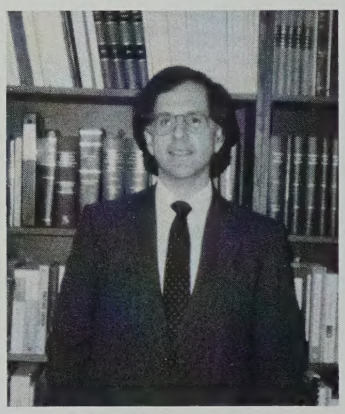

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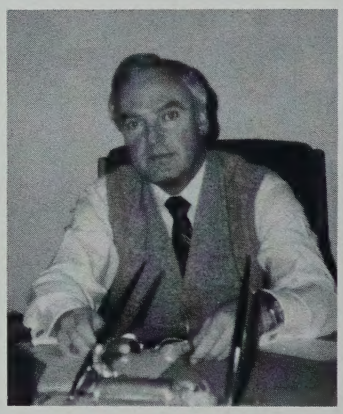

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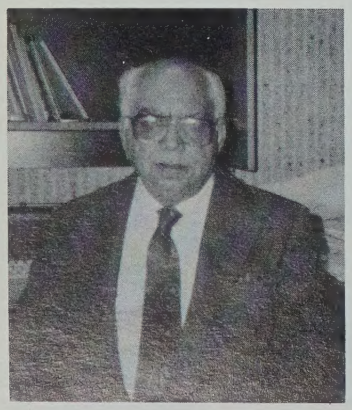

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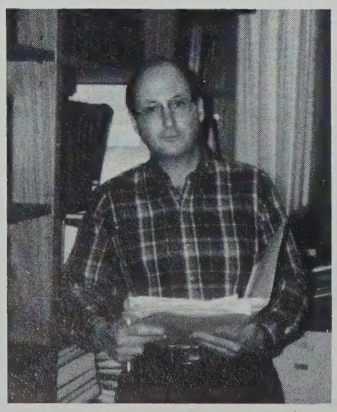

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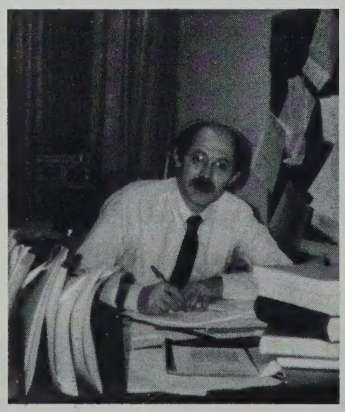

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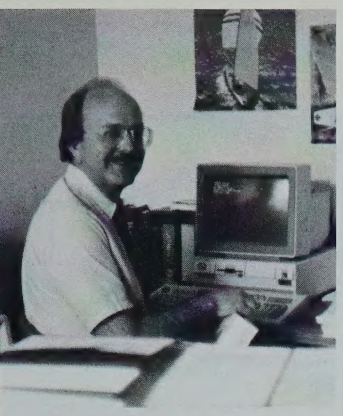

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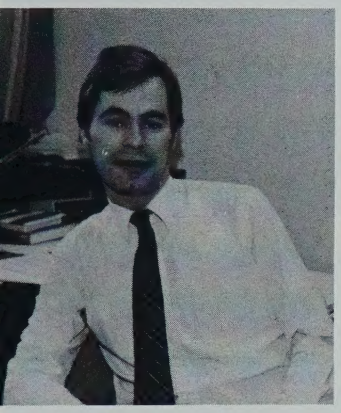

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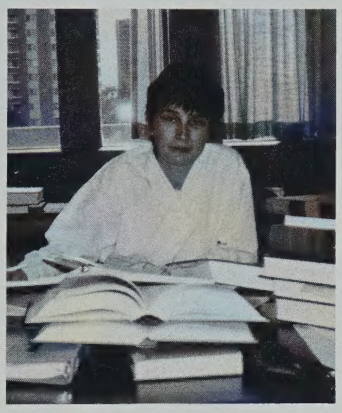

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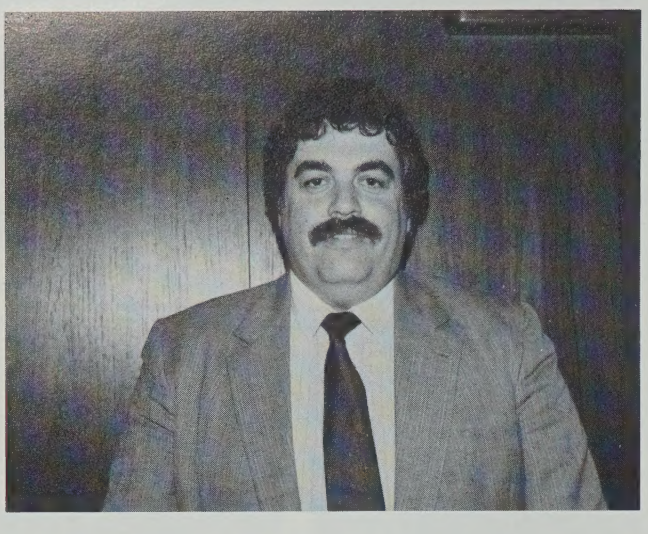

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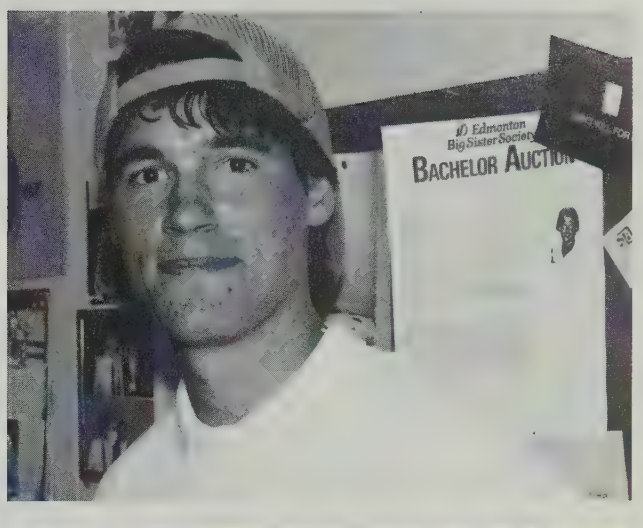

# MOOTS

This year the University of Alberta Law School once again competed in a number of internal, national and international moots.

The Edmonton Bar Association Moot was won by Dexter Dombro and Barbara Glod.

The University of Alberta Team consisting of Tom Blumer, Dexter Dombro, Barbara Glod, Buddy Melnyk, Dan Misutka and Martin Schultz won each of the Constitutional, Criminal, and Property Law moots and were the overall winners of the Alberta Challenge Cup.

The Clinton J. Ford Shield was won by Kathleen Kohlman and Bruce King. Kathleen Kohlman, Bruce King, Joe Naman and Silvia Yee took third place out of nineteen schools at the Gale Cup Moot. Silvia Yee won the award for outstanding oralist.

The University of Alberta team of William Hogle and Alison Stewart placed second in the Western Canada Trial Moot with Alison Stewart being selected as providing the best oral argument.

Karen Munro, Dexter Dombro, Sabri Shawa and Brigitte Fouillard represented the University of Alberta at the Laskin Moot in Moncton.

The University of Alberta team of Edith Cook, Sandra Corbett, Leslie Hills and Martin Schultz placed sixth out of thirteen teams at the Niagra Moot.

Tom Achtymichuk, Kevin Feth, Sean McMaster, and Heather Treacy represented the University of Alberta in the Jessup International Moot Competition in Montreal. The Edmonton team placed sixth out of the twenty-two teams who participated. Kevin Feth tied for first place as best oralist.

Many thanks to all those who participated as mooters, witnesses or organizers in the many moots conducted.

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The executive, members and many enthusiastic volunteers organized numerous events at the Law School during the year. Thanks to everyone involved they were very successful (again!). The events included: The Care and Feeding of Your Law Student - Stress management, the Mentor/ Mentee program, the Used Book Sale, the Alternate Career Seminar, Brunches, Meetings and the Third Annual Historical Seminar (the theme of which was "Why there are no memories in the Pantheon of Legal History").

The speakers of the Alternative Career Seminar included:
Peter Pagano - Legislative drafting
Leslie Haag - Union Representative
Jackie Cautu - City of Edmonton, corporate counsel
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The 3rd Annual Historical Seminar featured:
J. Rosalie Abella
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Professor Patricia Prestwich

In 1988-89 the club continued to have a very active role in the Faculty of Law in terms of events and encouraging student participation. In the past new ideas, suggestions and participation have been encouraged. The 1988-89 year was no exception and as a result, the WOMEN'S LAW FORUM an bid adieu to another successful year.

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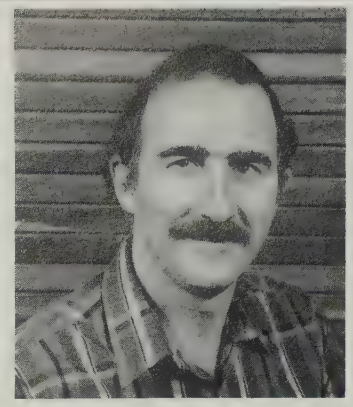
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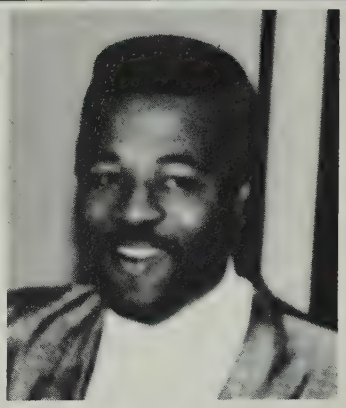
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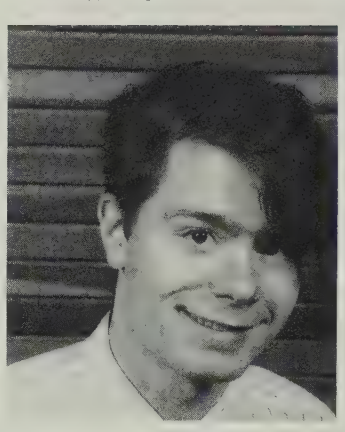
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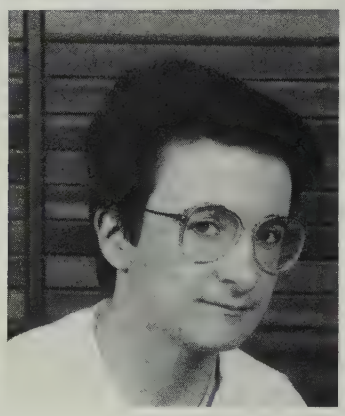
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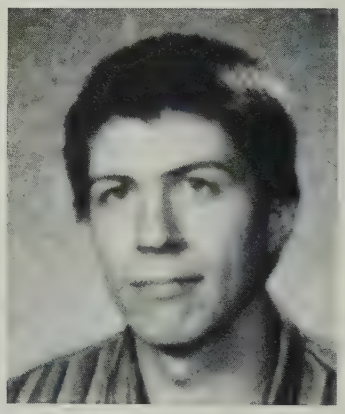
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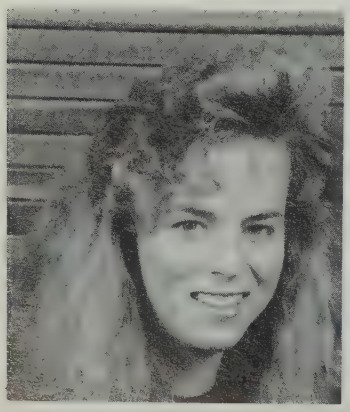
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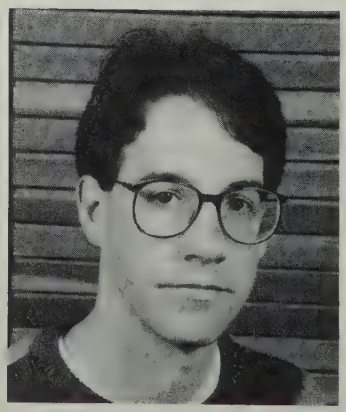
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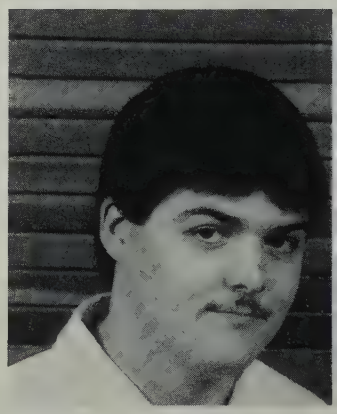
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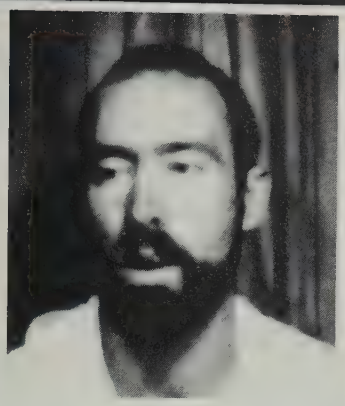
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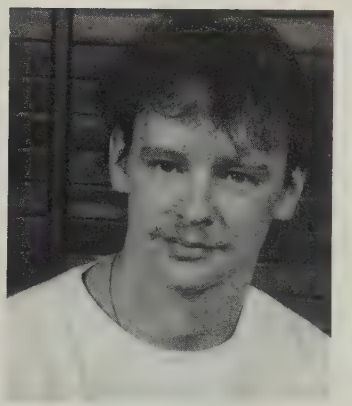
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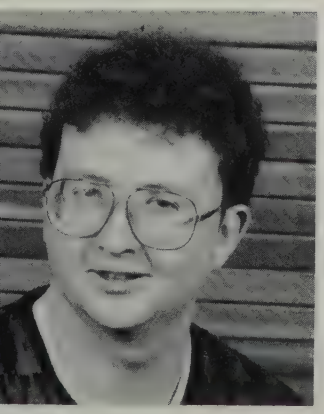
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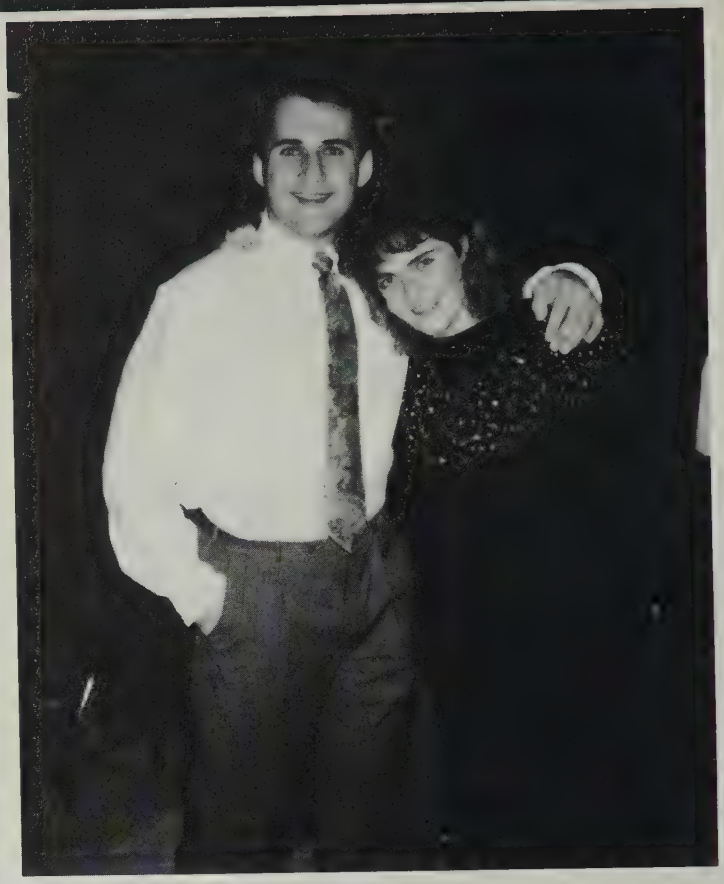

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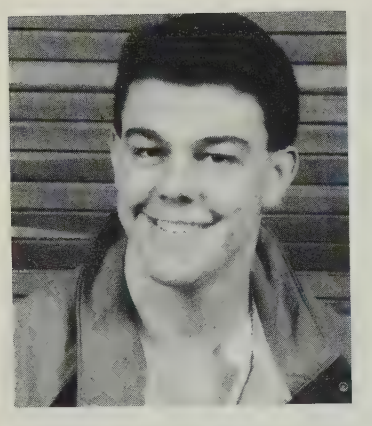

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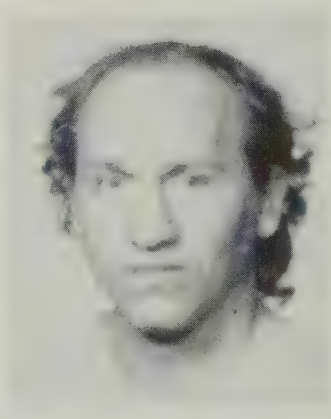

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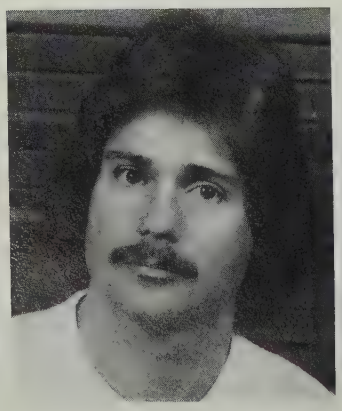

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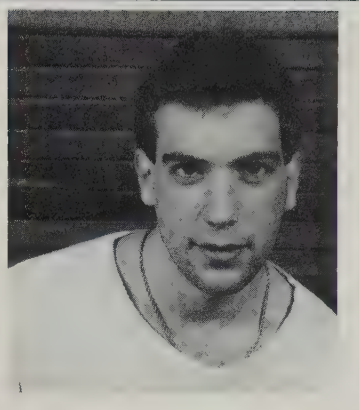
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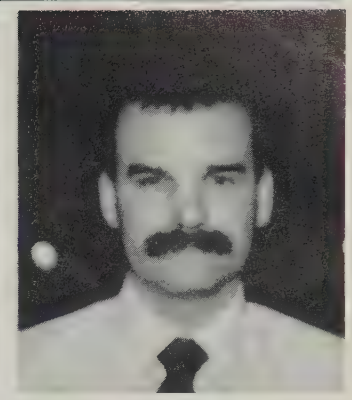
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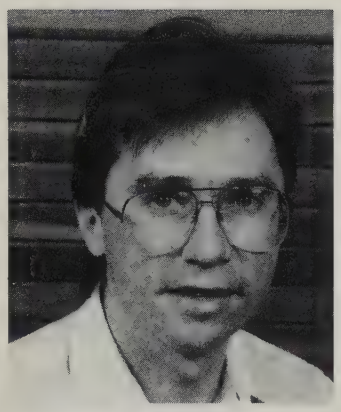
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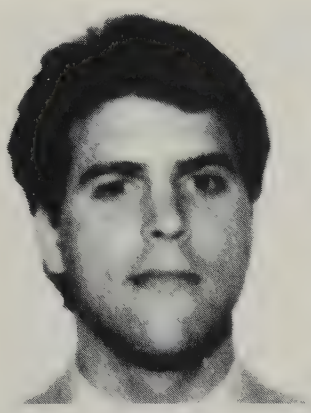
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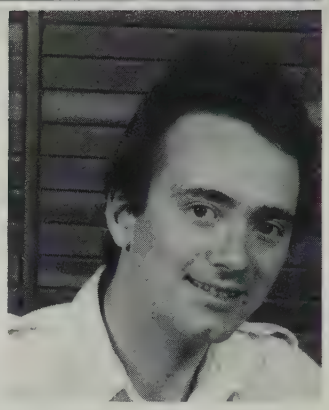
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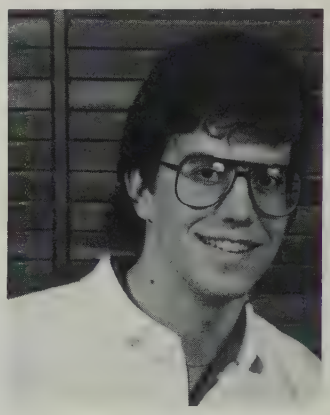
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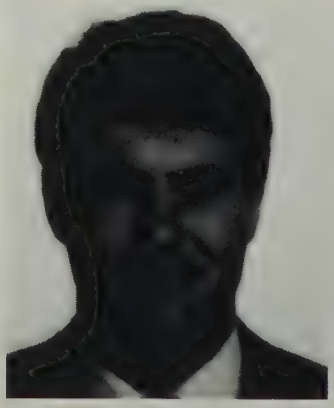
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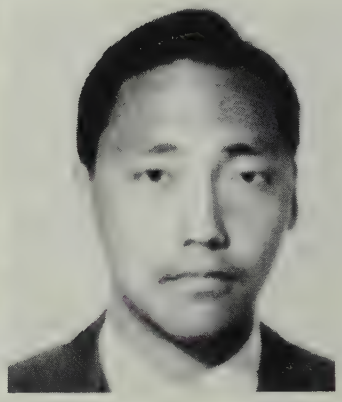

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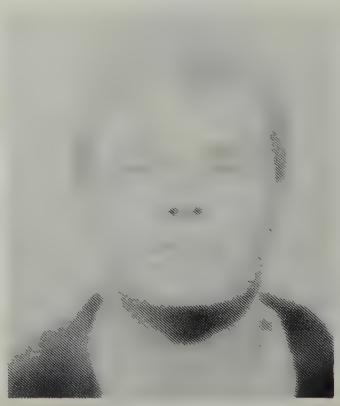

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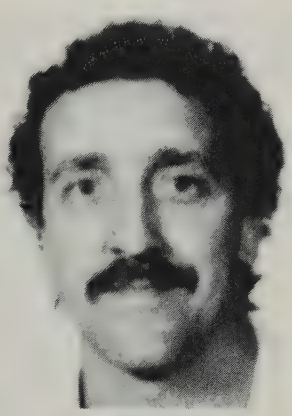
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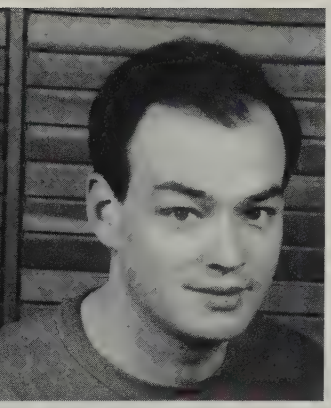
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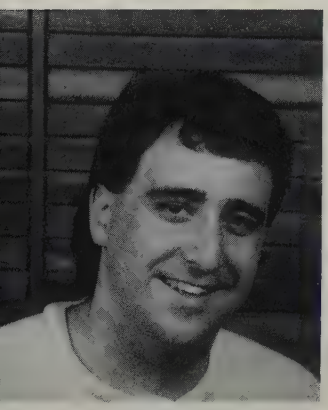
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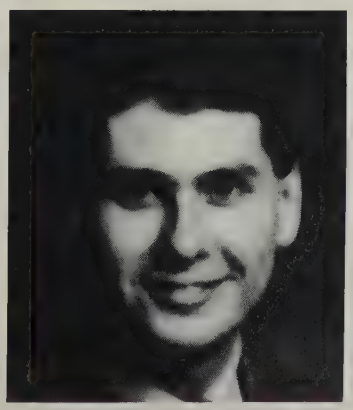
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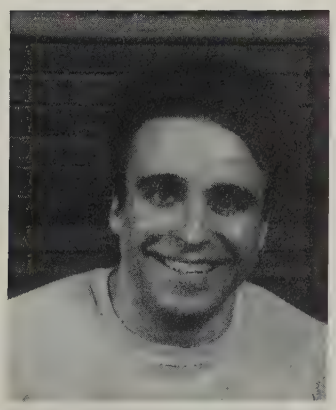
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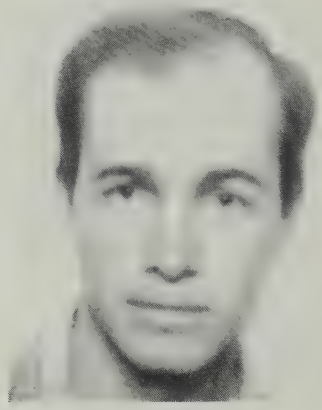

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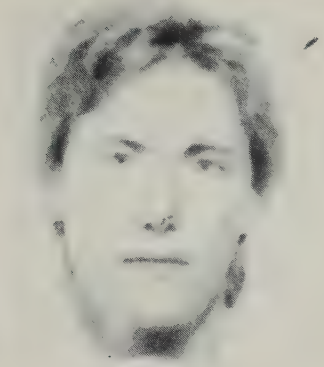
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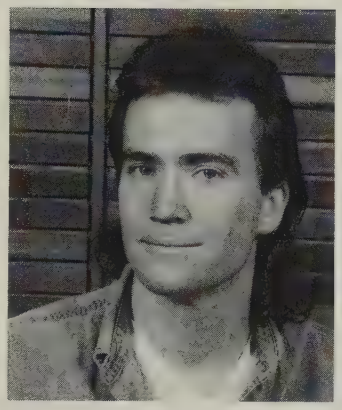
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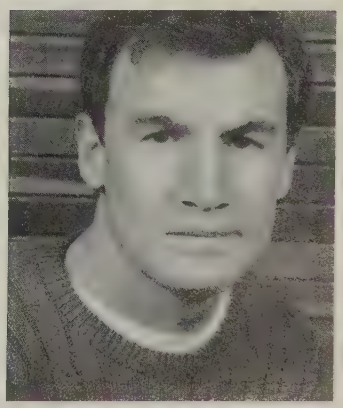
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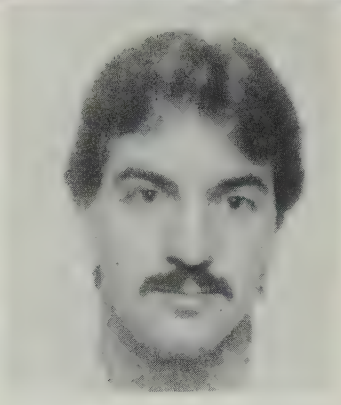
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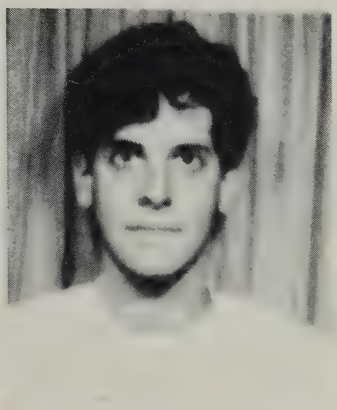
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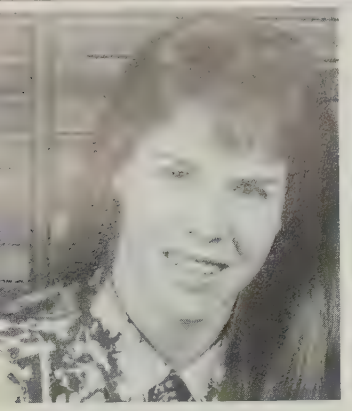
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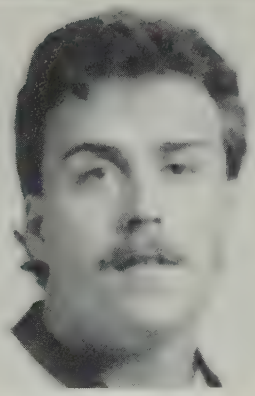
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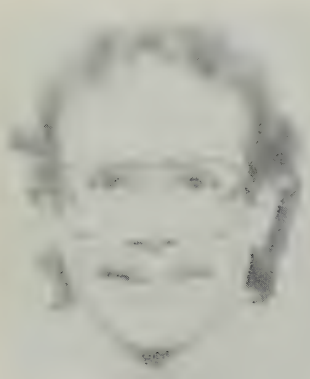
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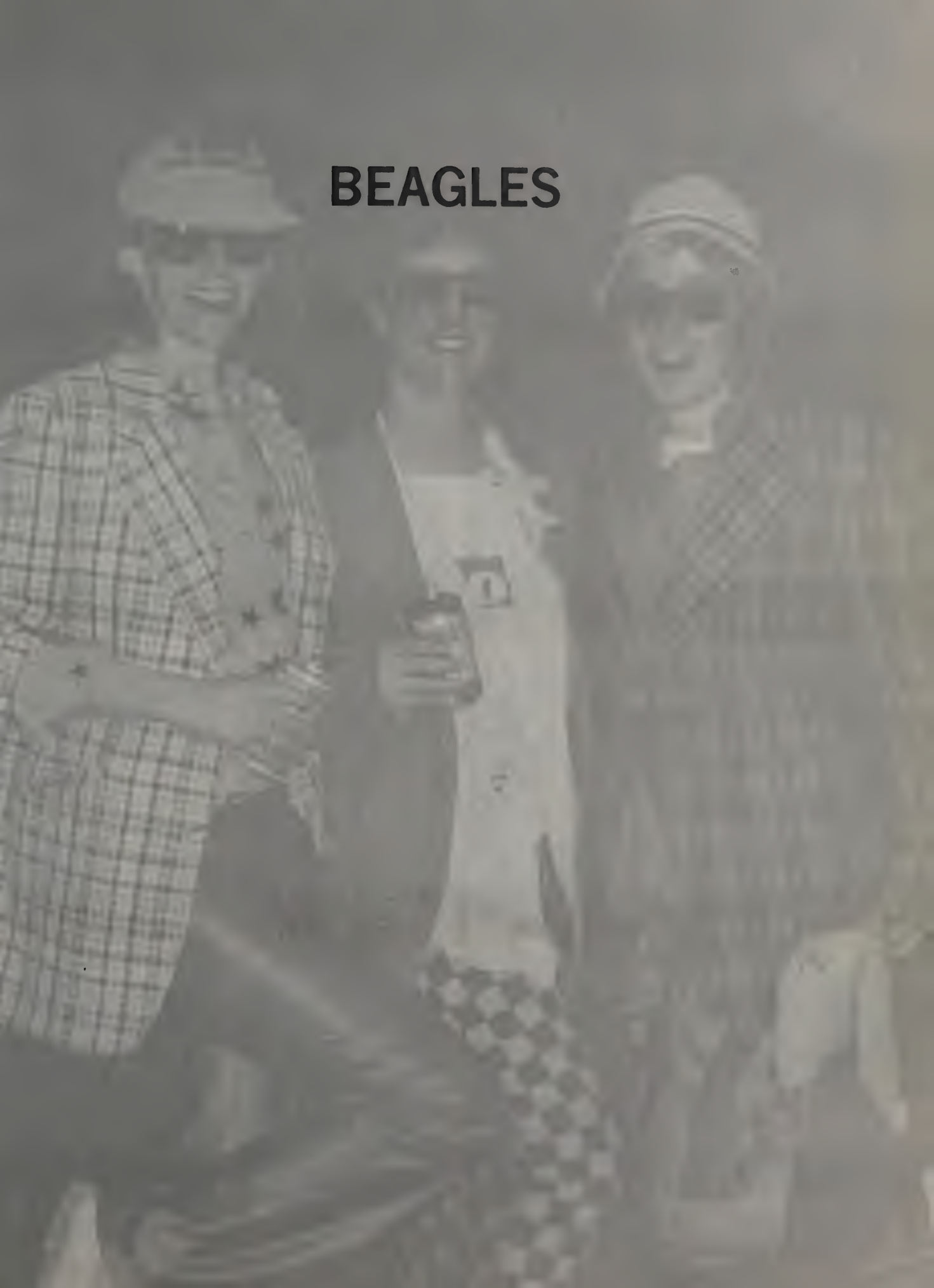

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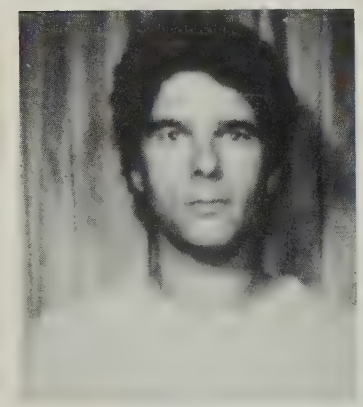
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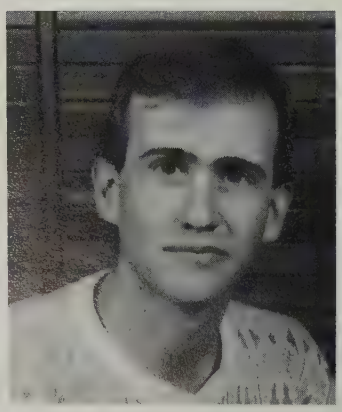
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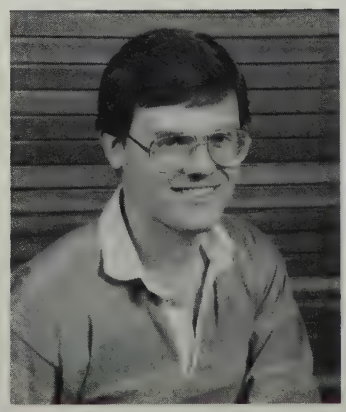
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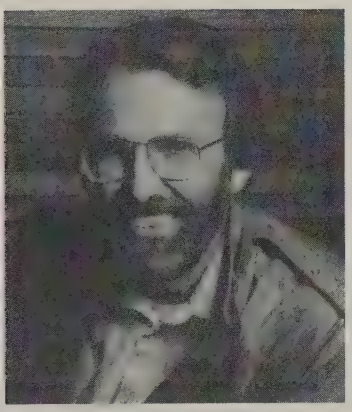

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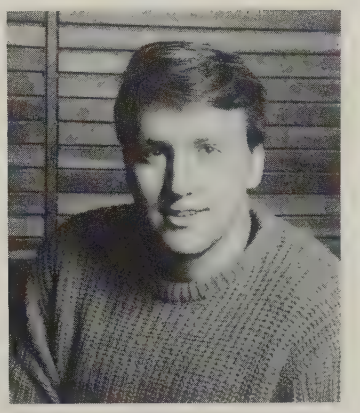

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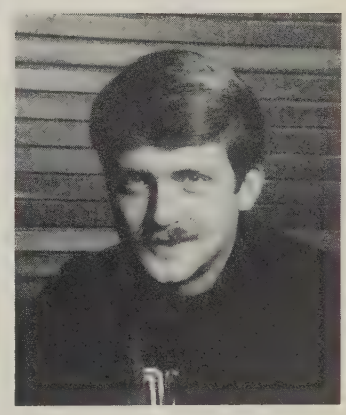

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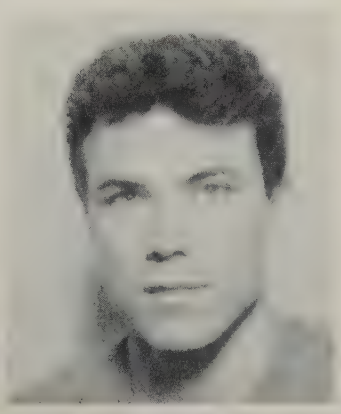

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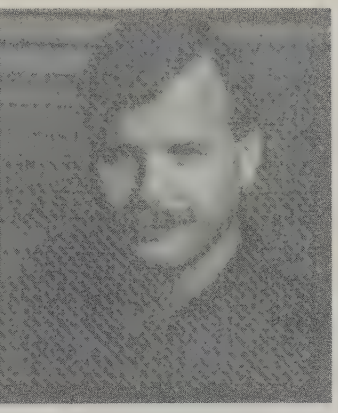

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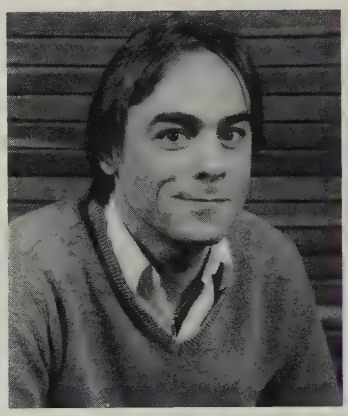
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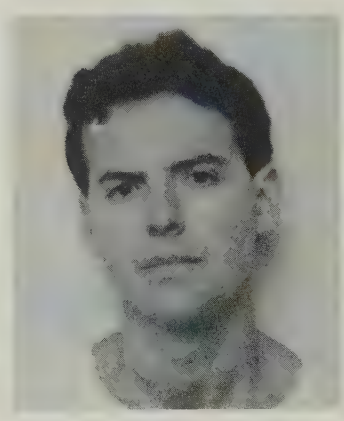
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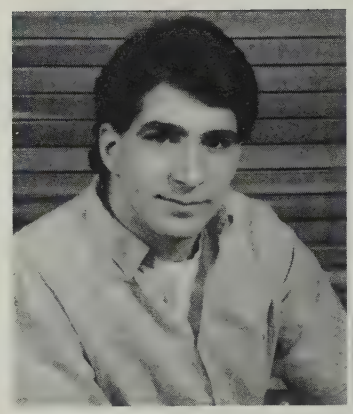
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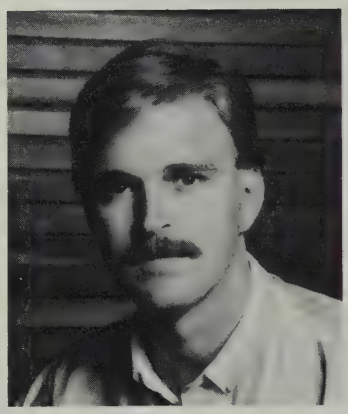
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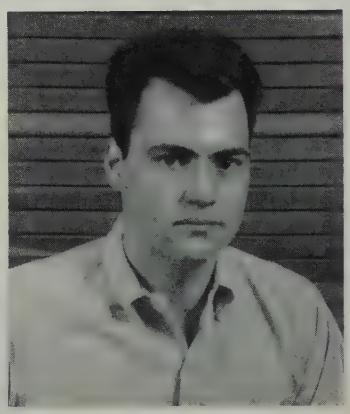
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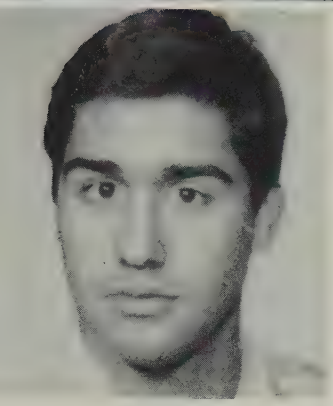

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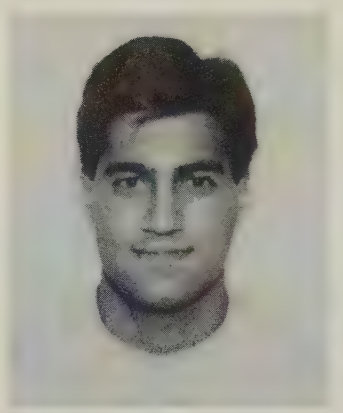

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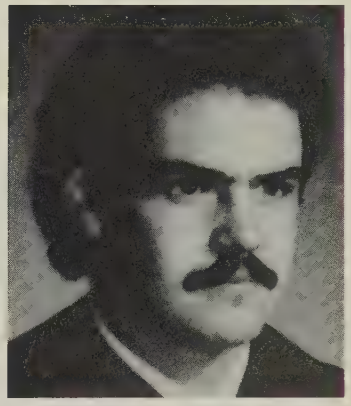

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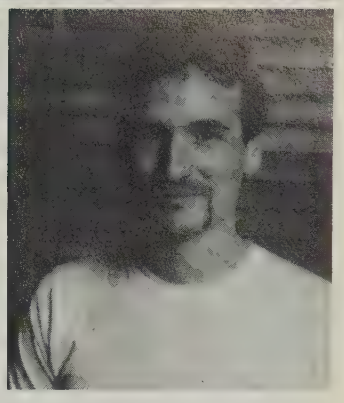
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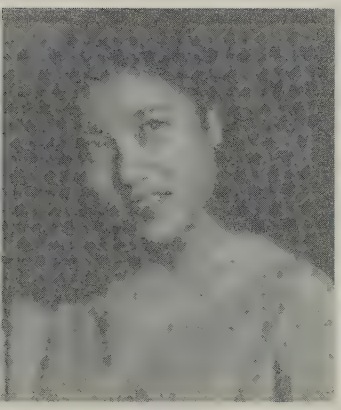
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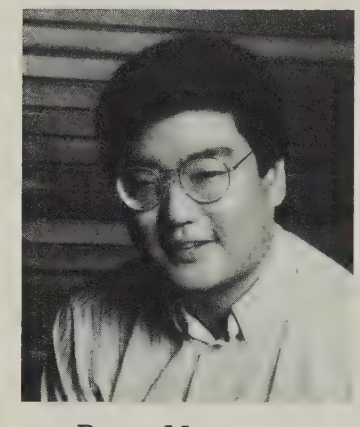
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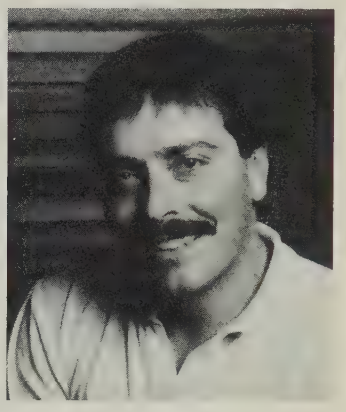
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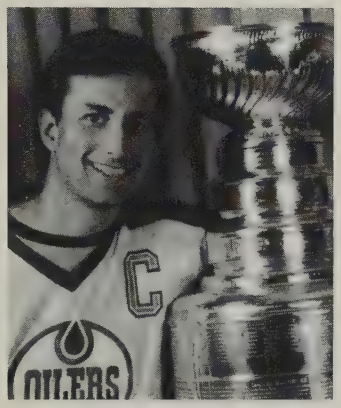

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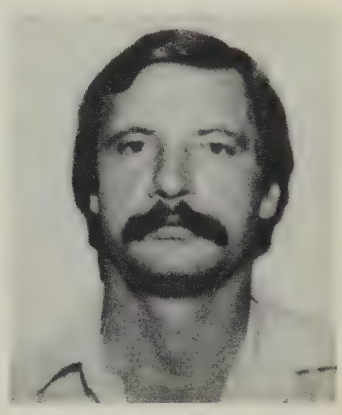
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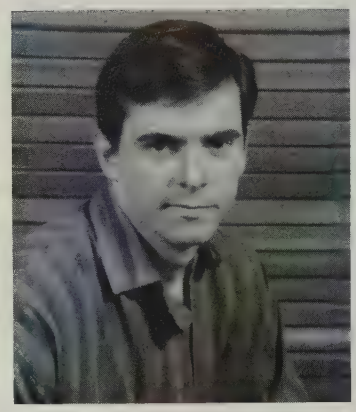

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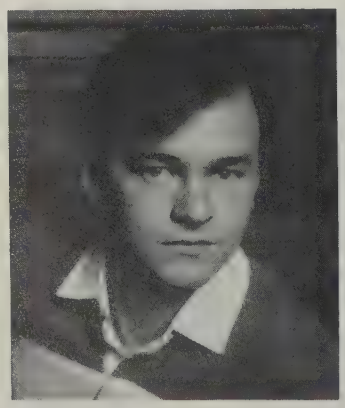

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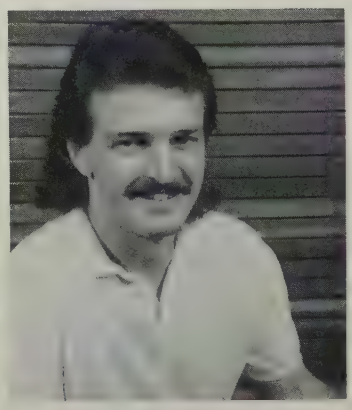

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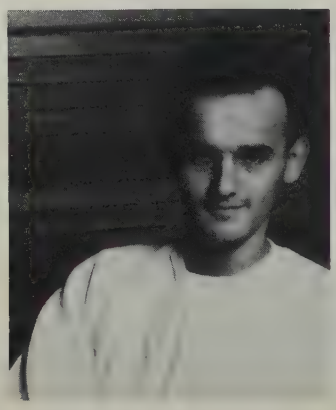

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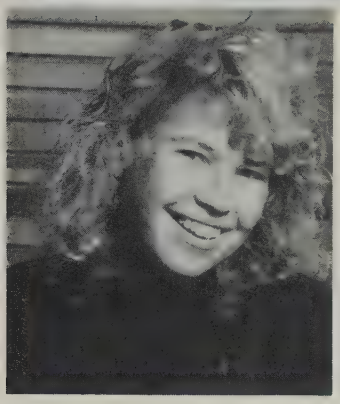
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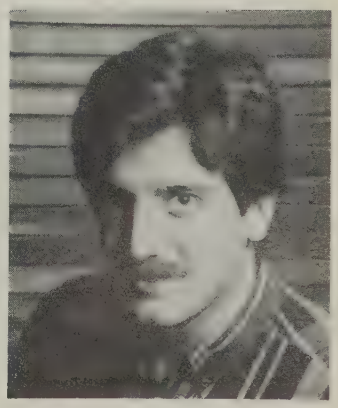
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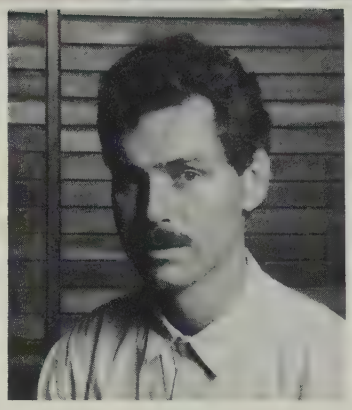
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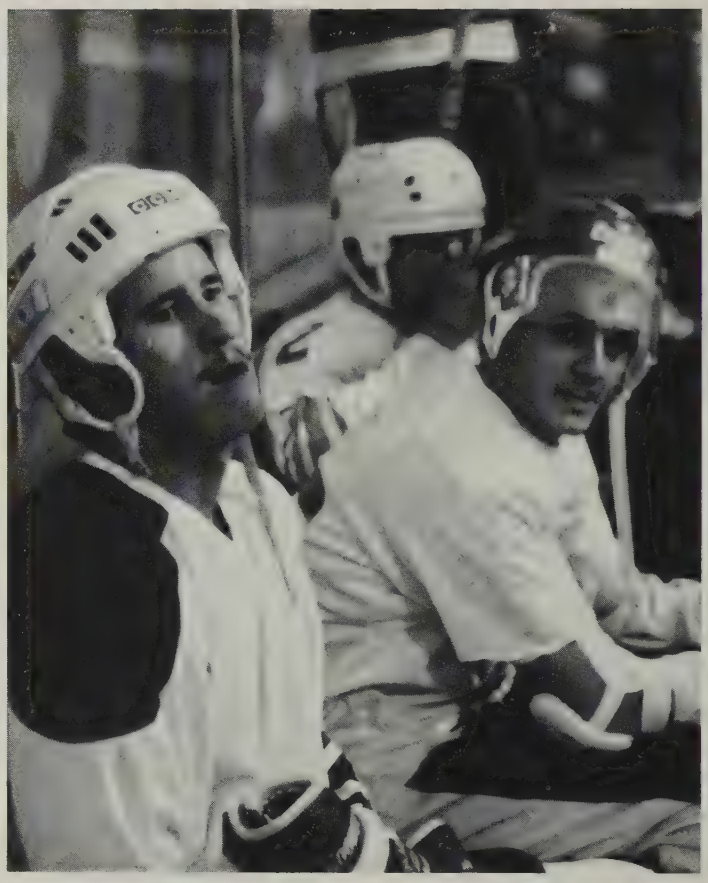

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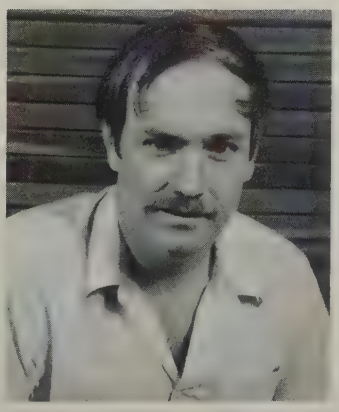

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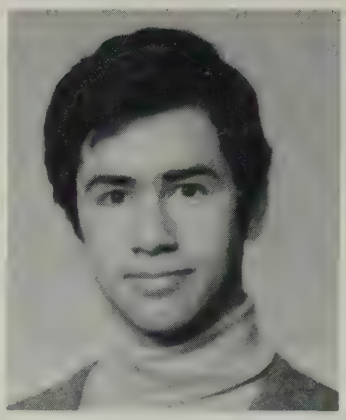
# BEAGLES

Lorris Williams

Allen Wong

Bill Wong



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Betty Yip

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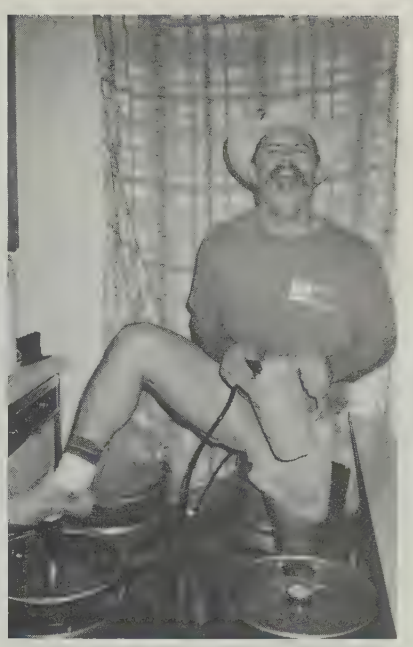
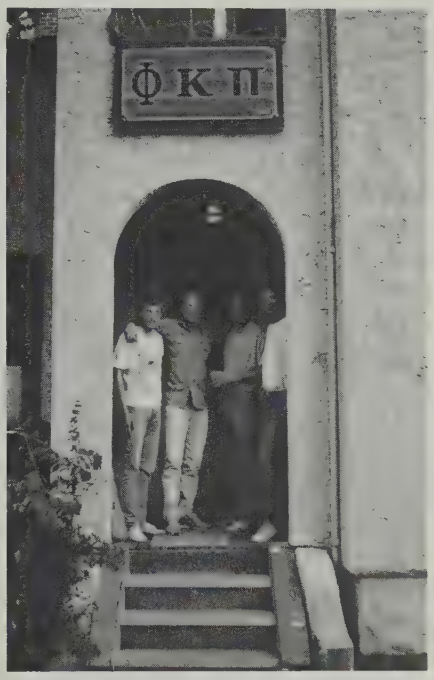
Dennis Woloshyn
Laurie Wood

# AT THE HELLHOLE



Better than the Chippendales?



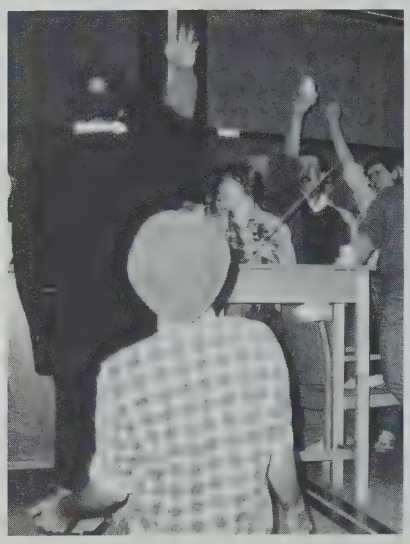
# EL HACKO

Rain or shine the Tradition continues!

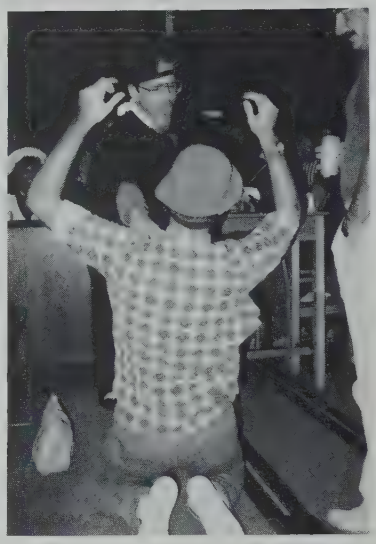
All that beer makes those darn carts really heavy!

# FUNDAY CHOIR

Help me! I'm a Sinner!

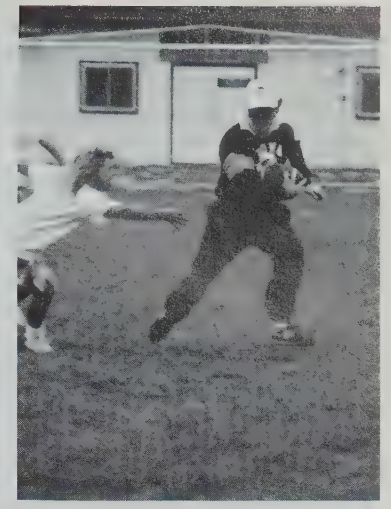


Save him!



Do you promise to go to all law parties?

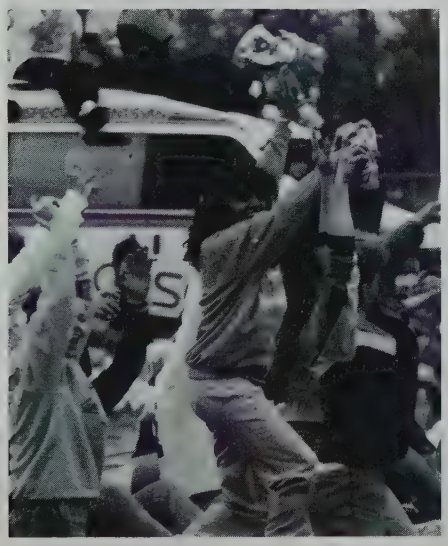
I'm healed!!



The Professors vs. The Women in the traditional football game.

Bauman pursued!!

# FUNDAY



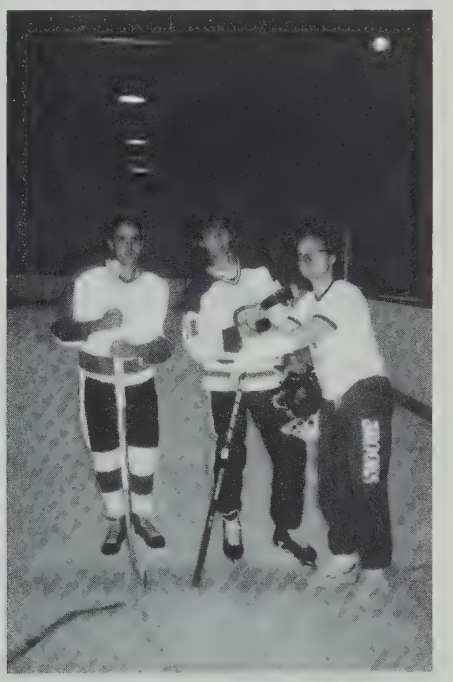
The crazy 'bat' relay.

Gifts of thanks for the football coaches!

# INTRAFAC HOCKEY

First Year vs. Third Year

Ankler Award: Tracey B. (1L)



And this is what some fans had to say . . .

# WESTERN CAN HOCKEY

The hair that never moves!

The Champs!

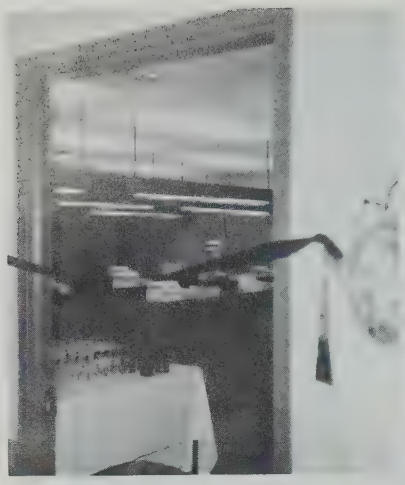
U of A Women

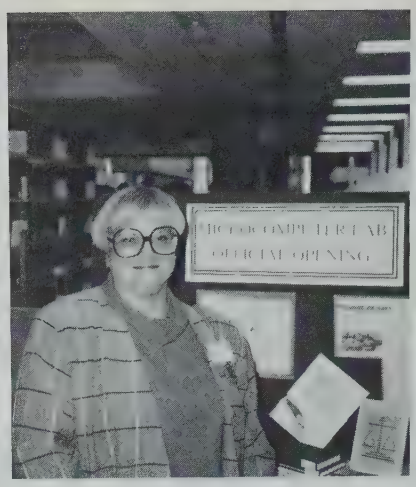
U of A Alumni Women

# HALLOWEEN

Milk anyone? Which would you choose?

# OTHER BIG EVENTS





THE MICRO-LAB OPENING

FLAG FOOTBALL: THE "DREAM TEAMS"

CAREER DAY

MACKINNON LECTURE

# 2ND & 3RD YR. PARTIES

Beer Racing Again.

Absolute Nine.

# TEQUILA NICKLE FABS

I Won!

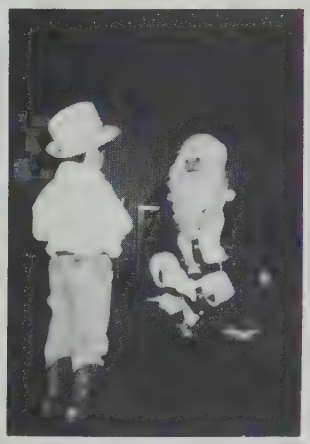
Give me a swag, bros!

We're FABSulous!

Hawaii Five-O: Live rowing at the law school!

# THE CHRISTMAS PARTY

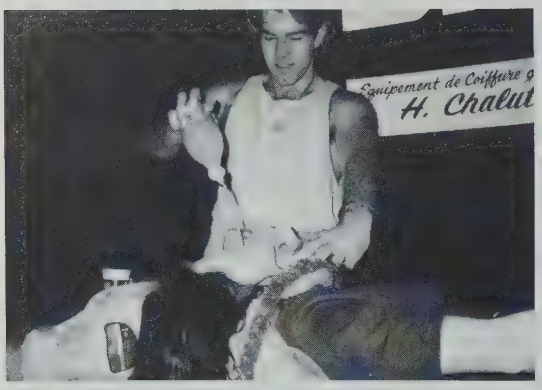
Name that Santa.



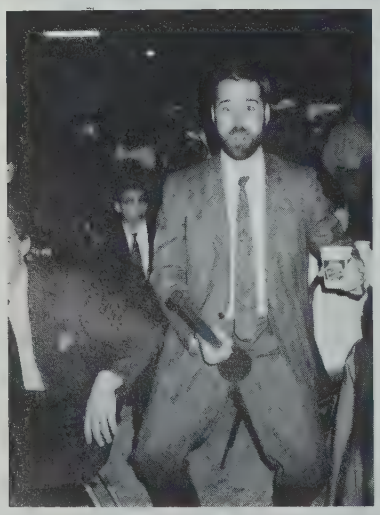
"Waddya' mean I'm getting coal instead of a "9"?!"

# LAW GAMES

It's Beach Night at the Patinodrome!



This year's Law Games were held in Quebec City hoste



Rick in fine form!

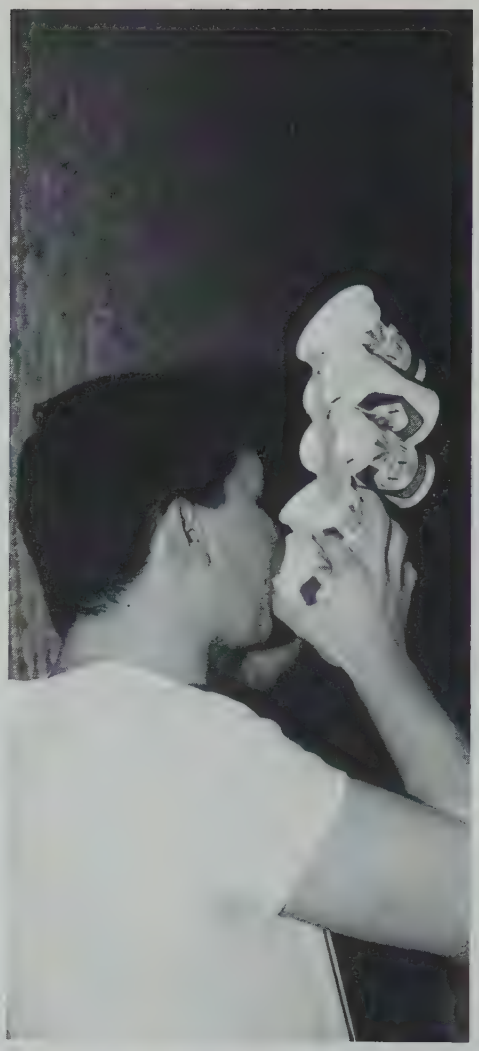
Our lovely hostesses.

He's my idol!

Stranded at the Calgary airport.

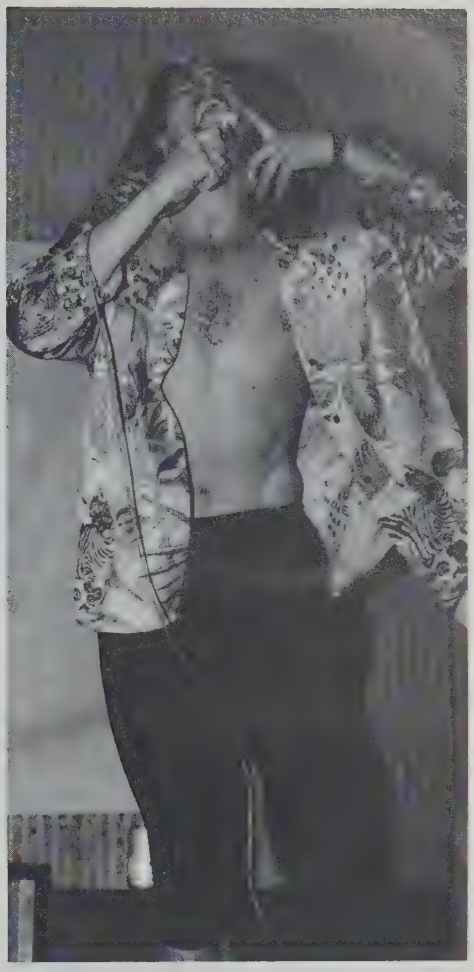
by Laval Univ.. The gang at the Chateau Frontenac.

AIR BAND



FABS

The Brady Bunch



Mick

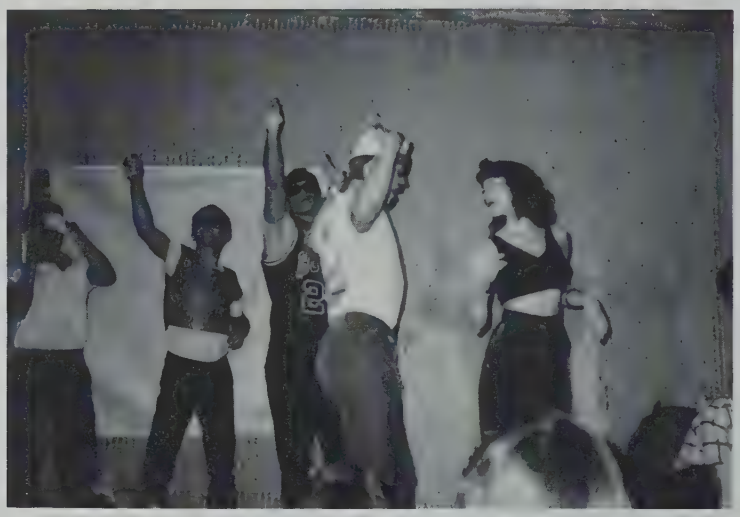
Addicted to Love

Guilty

Manhunt

Wild Thing

Leader of the Pack



Wild Thing

Man's Best Fred

## THE LSA PRESENTS "SWINE LAKE".

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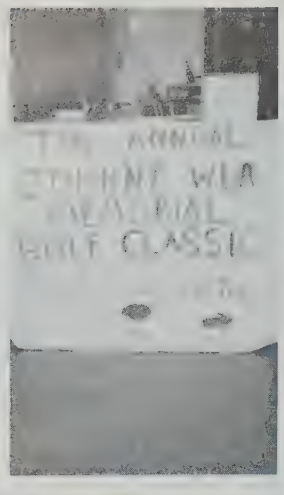
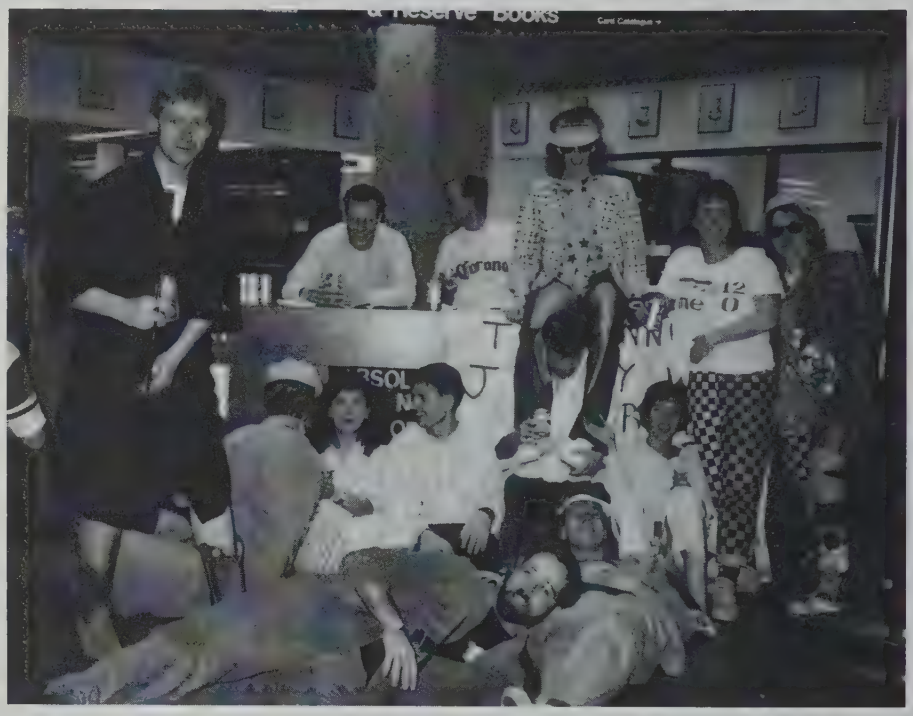
The Lettermans

The Love Pythons "in the flesh"!

# THE JOHNNY WEIR





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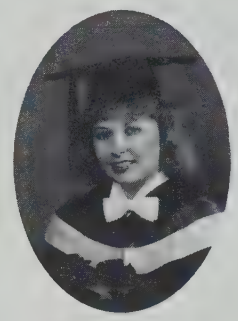
Thomas Achtymichuk

Barbara Adamson

Sara Adamson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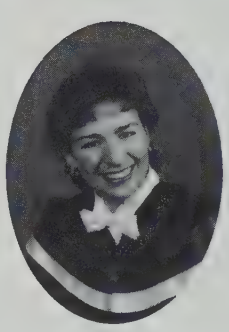
Norman Andersor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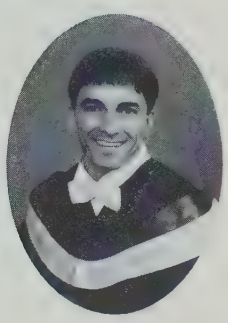

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Susan Chafe

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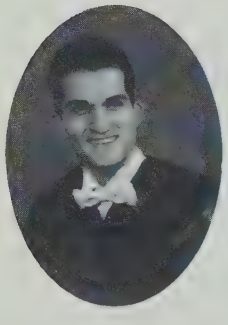
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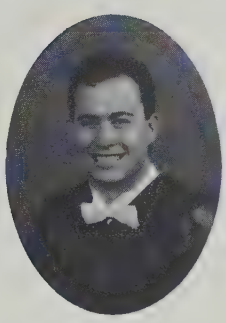

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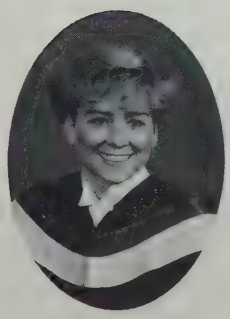

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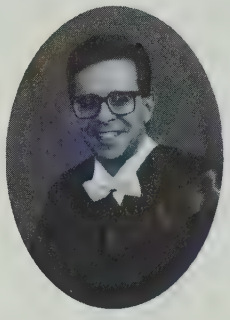
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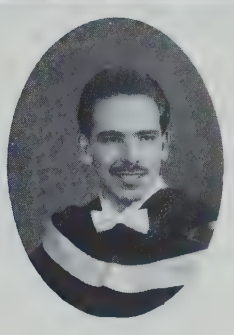

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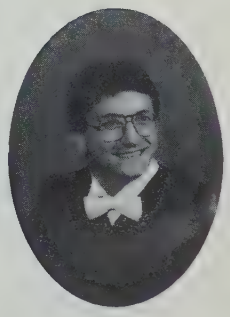

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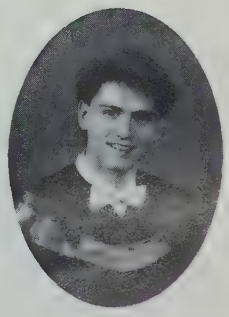

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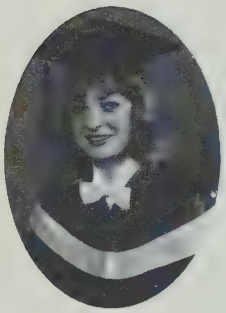
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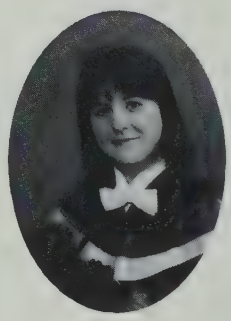
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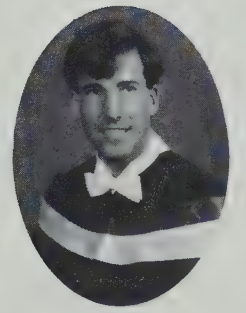

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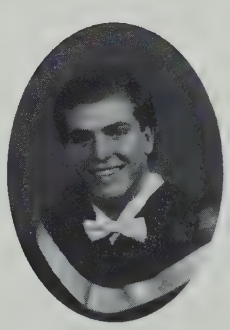

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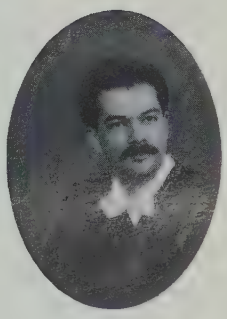

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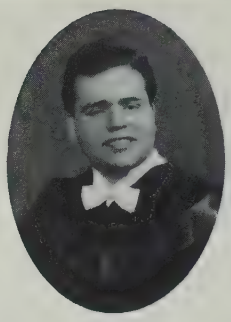
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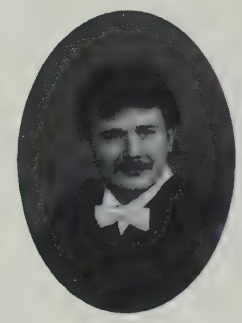
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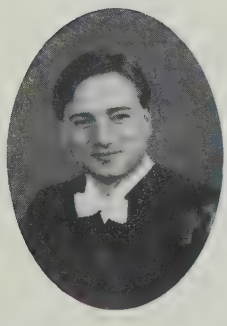
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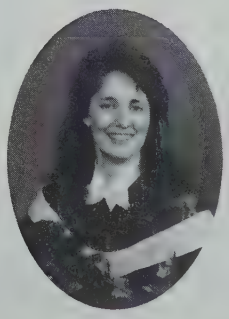

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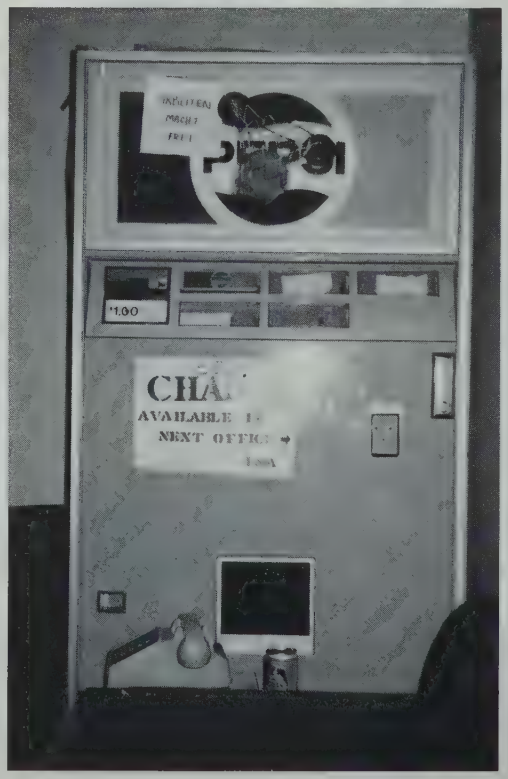

# VALEDICTORIAN SPEECH

by Blair Maxston

Ladies and Gentlemen, Fellow Students and Honored Guests, good evening. In preparation for this speech, quite unlike the way I have prepared for my classes of late, I did some reading -- and found that Webster's Dictionary defines "Valedictorian" as "the student who gives the farewell address at the graduation of his class, *traditionally* the student who has the highest academic ranking." As my transcripts would substantiate, tradition has fallen by the way this evening in at least one aspect. However, even though I'm not in the top half of my class, I'm certainly one of the people who makes the top half possible.

With that in mind, I would like to begin this address by asking each of my fellow classmates to return to the time just three short summers ago when you asked yourself the question. "How do I become one of the chosen few?"

Unfortunately, even then senate reform was in the air so you considered your options. You could have been a success at anything you wanted. Instead you chose to devote your life to the law.

Then you had to decide which law school to attend, in other words, which institution would provide you with a superior education and best prepare you for a career in the legal profession; in short, you had to separate the blue chip from the buffalo chips. But you missed the University of Toronto's application deadline and you found yourself at the U of A at first year orientation listening to Dean Christian as he welcomed us by stating, "In law school it is important not to fall behind. This is because we eat our young. Good luck and have a nice day."

In reality, the speeches at orientation were meant to put you at ease and make you feel confident. However, it must be remembered that similar speeches were made to the U.S. Marines just before they landed at Iwo Jima, probably for the same reasons and with the same effect.

Simply put, we were scared . . . for law school is the single most famous rite of passage in history, as well as the most arduous, combining the courage of Zeus, the labours of Hercules, the wisdom of Solomon, and the voyages of Laverne and Shirley into a gauntlet of mythic proportions where only the truly worthy or very well connected survive.

The classrooms we entered in those first days were really courtrooms, we were the defendants and the case against us was strong. And the way we were taught in those classrooms was something that we had never experienced before. We found out that while modern civilization owes a great deal to Ancient Greece -- Homer, Plato, Feta Cheese, and Black Olives to name but a few -- the greatest gift that the Greeks gave to law school was an elegant, lucid type of philosophical enquiry called the Socratic Method, otherwise known as S & M. This faculty, however, like most major law schools, saw fit to re-

ject the Socratic method of teaching (which is based entirely on reason and logic) in favour of the casebook method (which is based entirely on Abbott and Costello).

Predictably enough, after just a few weeks of 18 hour days, many gallons of Maxwell House, and a willingness to allow our bodies to become wracked with Vitamin "D" deficiency from lack of sunshine, many of us came to the realization that it was impossible to stay abreast of every class . . . and we remembered Dean Christian's warning.

Consequently, in an effort to stay on top of things some of us formed study groups, a sociological phenomenon endemic to arsonists, green berets, law students, and other groups blessed with similar siege mentalities.

Others around us resorted to using the 'canned' legal briefs that could be bought from the Law Students Association. Our professors warned us that to rely and read directly from canned briefs when called upon in class would be suicidal. This is because they were *teaching* from the canned briefs and would recognize the syntax immediately.

Still other students discovered one of the truisms of law school: you are where you sit. Soon people began arriving for class 2 or 3 hours early just to reserve the coveted back row seats in order to avoid being called upon by a professor. To coin of phrase, "Out of sight, out of mind." Of course, in first year we were treated to a beggars banquet of a curriculum. In Constitutional Law, Prof. Ross taught us that if all the Supreme Court justices were laid end to end they couldn't reach a conclusion. And we found out that *everyone* has the constitutional right to Bora Laskin's opinion.

In Prof. Ziff's Real Property class we learned about arcane, convoluted, and outdated 16th century property doctrines which seemed slightly irrelevant to 20th century law students. But we were responsible for them on the final exam which gave them a helluva boost relevance-wise. The most ancient and anachronistic concept we faced in Real Property, aside from the professor, was the infamous "Rule in Shelley's Case" which states:

> Wherever a man by any gift or conveyance takes an estate of freehold,
> and in the same gift of conveyance an estate is limited, either
> mediately or immediately, to his heirs in fee simple, the word 'heirs'
> is a word of limitation and not of purchase and does not confer any
> distinct estate on his heirs.

Simply put, the rule deals with "future interests" which is very appropriate since, when students are confronted with it they immediately develop future interests in careers other than law.

We also studied Torts and the concept of negligence with Professor Law. Torts was fun. In Torts we learned that *anything* is possible and that someone is *always* responsible, usually a blender company. And then, just like all the first year classes before us, in January and February we entered the moot

court room and valiantly argued a contested point of law. And we did quite well, thank-you very much, and this despite the fact that the gruelling preparation and numbing stress has left most of us with all the intellectual range of a windshield wiper.

Then came exam time, our first exposure to 3 hour 100% finals. And as everyone studied furiously in the library it was so quiet that you could almost hear the grey cells dying. After exams there was one more lesson that we learned, however: in law school, exams are written in haste, but marks are returned at leisure.

Before we knew it, however, second year was upon us, the hardest and most difficult year of law school that saw most of us carrying 6 or 7 substantive law courses. But a change had come over us in second year. We were a little more comfortable, a little more at home at law school and we recognized the necessity of unwinding a little bit more. In fact all the socializing and partying at law school is an education unto itself. Thankfully, however, we never let our studies get in the way of our education. And we were all wise enough to remember that alcohol and gasoline don't mix. But we tried them separately and found that everything was just fine.

As well, by second year, the much reviled, but little understood law school grapevine was producing a particularly robust vintage and we all knew that there was indeed truth to the statement that gossip is the foreplay or social intercourse. It was only natural after months of being cooped up in the law building and seeing only law students for days on end, that Cupid would eventually strike. It was accurate to say that familiarity breeds attempt and certain of us pursued romance with a fellow law student, hopefully someone of the opposite sex.

However, before we knew it, January had arrived and it was time to go out and interview for an articling position in preparation for our eventual departure from law school. All this when it seemed like only yesterday that you had forged your transcripts and recommendations to get into law school. In selecting the proper attire for interviewing, the men at least, all adhered to the Harry Rosen Doctrine and declined to put the "yes" back into polyester. In short, you could wear any suit you liked, as long as it was charcoal grey. As to our responses at interviews, they were as natural, spontaneous, and unpremediated as D-Day was. We also discovered that there were certain phrases that seemed to increase a person's chances of getting a job. Ones like, "Thanks for giving me the interview Dad", or, "This gun is loaded," seemed to work best.

The academic burdens of second year, however, were never far from our minds. We tried to fulfill the written work requirement and found out that if you steal from one author it's plagiarism, but if you steal from many it's research. We continued going to classes and increased our legal expertise as a result. In Family Law, Prof. Pollock's casebook showed us that chastity is curable if it is detected early enough, while in Company Law, Prof. Mis reminded us that some people confuse bad management with destiny. Almost before we knew it, though, second year had passed and so had we.

If second year was a blur, however, third year was, and is, a blah. After three years of law school, every class has become a perfect educational environment. The gracefully curved classrooms, the melifluous voice of your professor berating the students in the first three rows, the soft fluoresent lighting designed to reduce glare -- all these things combined to create an ideal setting -- for a nice long nap. And, after three years, we were very, very tired. In third year you no longer asked yourself, "How can I become one of the chosen few?". No, third year was when you asked yourself, "Why should I work so hard to support a bum like me?". And you decided not to.

This general malaise all flows from the fact that after three years here we know the cure for wanting to go to law school . . is to go to law school. And as we prepare to enter the legal profession we can only hope that ignorance of the law excuses no man . . from practicing it. Conversly, and unfortunately, we have heard that during articling, the reward for work well done . . . is more work. Still, most of us will go on to actually practice law, but some of us will find it too mentally taxing and will run for premier instead. Some of us will practice law outside of Alberta, in places like Saskatchewan and other third world areas. One thing is certain however, 10 years from now when you are making $150,000 dollars a year, remember all the professors who gave you 5's when you deserved 8's . . . and you'll know that success is the best revenge.

To be sure, however, at a gathering such as this it is only appropriate to reflect on the law school experience, what it has meant to us and how it has changed us. During these three years, we formed friendships that will last a lifetime. We concluded that, sometimes, if you want your dreams to come true . . . you don't get much sleep. As well, this evening, it is only natural to remember our professors, those persons who challenged our intellects and expanded our horizons. To them, we owe a great debt and we are thankful.

We must also variously thank our parents, spouses, families and friends for giving us the support and understanding which enabled us to persevere and reach this day, a task that was complicated for those among us who had the additional burden of raising families, of working part-time, or of putting other dreams on hold. As we close this chapter in our lives, we are faced with a tremendous opportunity. But opportunity is nothing without ability. Therefore, -- as law students, I hope that we are proud of what we have accomplished here. As lawyers, I hope that we will have learned from it.

In closing, I would just like to remind my classmates that no matter how difficult or trying these three years have been, some day soon, they will be remembered as your good old days. And as you look around this evening and see the faces of so many friends and remember so many special moments, I think it is fair to say that . . . that day of reckoning has come a little early, as early as tonight. Congratulations Class of '89, I hope to see you around. Thank-you and good evening.

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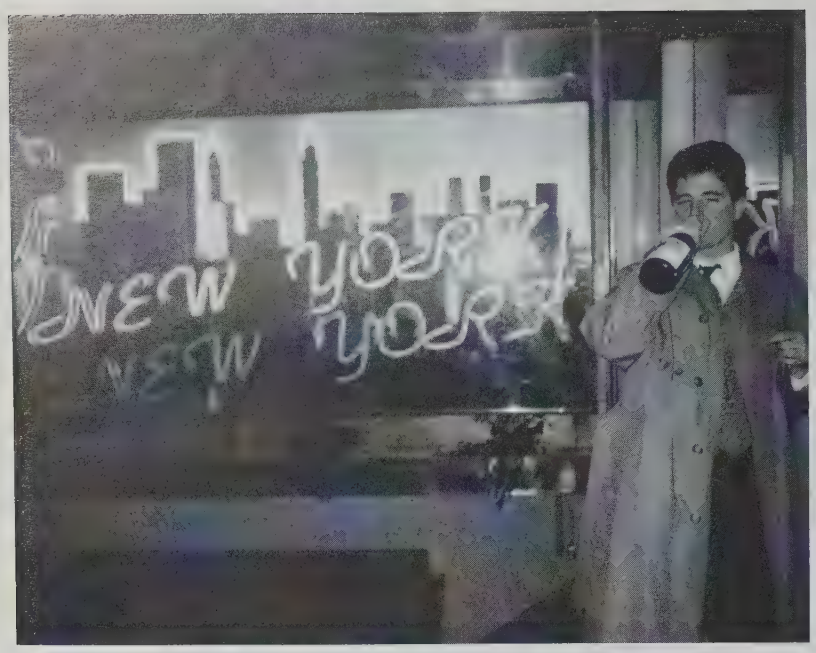

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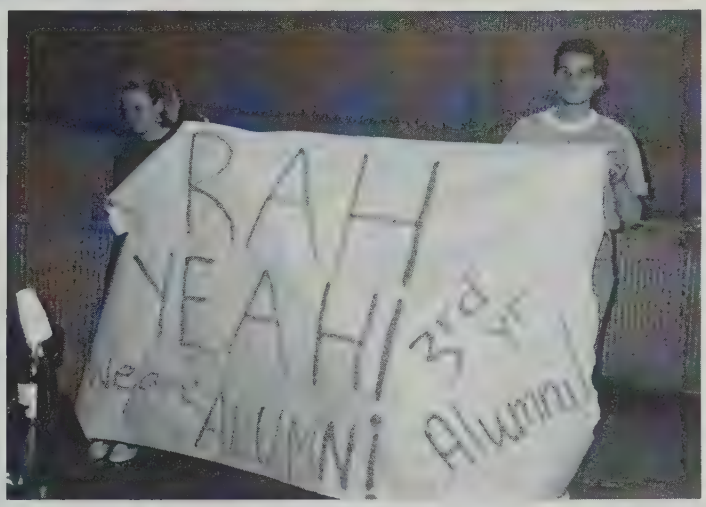

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